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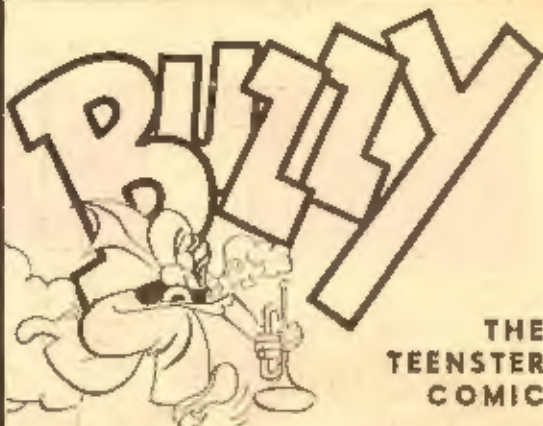
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- THE BOY WONDER -

A GOOD BOOK, SAID JOHN MILTON, "IS THE PRECIOUS LIFE-BLOOD OF A MASTER-SPIRIT, EMBALMED AND TREASURED UP ON PURPOSE TO A LIFE BEYOND LIFE." BUT WHEN THE PENGUIN DECIDES TO SEEK IMMORTALITY THROUGH LITERATURE, IT TAKES ALL OF THE BATMAN'S FISTIC ARTFULNESS AND CREATIVE CUNNING TO KEEP THE VAINGLORIOUS VANDAL'S VENTURE INTO "BELLES LETTRES" WITHIN THE LETTER OF THE LAW, AND TO WIN TALENT FOR THE YOUTH WHO WAS...

"THE PENGUIN'S APPRENTICE!"

FICTION
A-D

HISTORY
E-W



SUNDAY MORNING SILENCE REIGNS IN GOTHAM'S STILL CANYONS AS BRUCE WAYNE AND DICK GRAYSON GO FOR AN EARLY STROLL--

HELP!

--OR DID I SPEAK TOO SOON?

A CRY FOR HELP! QUICK--WE CAN CHANGE HERE, THERE'S NO ONE AROUND.

DOESN'T IT GIVE YOU A KIND OF PEACEFUL FEELING WALKING THESE EMPTY STREETS AT THIS HOUR?

IT'S A LITTLE TOO PEACEFUL TO SUIT ME!



SCARCELY A SECOND IS LOST BEFORE THE FLYING FEET OF THE MIGHTY BATMAN AND ROBIN STREAK PAST THE CORNER TO FIND...

WHAT'S THE MATTER, OLD FELLOW? WHAT HAPPENED?

ME HANDKERCHIEF--THEY SNITCHED ME HANDKERCHIEF! THAT'S WHUT THEY DONE!



DID I HEAR HIM RIGHT? HE SAID HANDKERCHIEF!

AYE--AN' IT WUZ THE ONLY HANDKERCHIEF I OWN. THEY CAME ALONG, THE TWO OF 'EM, AN' THE YOUNG FELLER MAKES A GRAB FER ME POCKET. BUT IT WUZ THE SMALL ONE WHAT WORE THE STRIPED PANTS AN' THE MONOCLE THEY GOT THE HANDKERCHIEF WITHOUT ME EVEN FEELIN' IT!

-- THEN THAT SOUNDS LIKE A PRETTY GOOD DESCRIPTION OF THE PENGUIN! BUT WHAT WOULD HE WANT WITH A HANDKERCHIEF? AND WHO WAS WITH HIM?

SEARCH ME--BUT TOTHER WERE A YOUNG 'UN--ABOUT SEVENTEEN, I RECKON. THEY RUN OFF THEH WAY.



IF THIS ISN'T A JOKE--



EEK! HELP!

C'MON--THAT SOUNDED LIKE A WOMAN! AND IT CAME FROM DOWN THERE!



WHAT'S WRONG, MISS?

THOSE VANDALS! THEY STOLE THE FEATHER FROM MY HAT! THERE WERE TWO OF THEM, BUT THE ONE WITH THE UMBRELLA--

UMBRELLA! THAT SETTLES IT! IT WAS THE PENGUIN!



THEY
JUST
RAN OFF
DOWN
THE
STREET.

BUT THIS IS CRAZY!
WHY SHOULD A BIG-TIME
CROOK LIKE THE PENGUIN
STEAL A HANDKERCHIEF
AND THEN A
FEATHER?

MAYBE HE WENT
A LITTLE SLUG-
NUTTY FROM THE
LAST TIME YOU HIT
HIM, BATMAN!

CAN ROBIN
BE RIGHT?
HAS THE
PENGUIN
LOST HIS
MENTAL
EQUILIBRIUM?
PERHAPS
WE SHOULD
SEE FOR
OURSELVES,
FOR ONLY
TWO BLOCKS
AWAY
FROM THE
SCENE
OF THE
PURLOINED
FEATHER...

SUCH APPALLING
CLUMSINESS!
JUST LIKE
YOUR FATHER!
CAN'T I TEACH
YOU ANYTHING?
BUTTERFINGERS,
THAT'S WHAT
YOU ARE!

BUT SIR,
I TELL YOU
I DON'T
WANT TO
LEARN
CRIME. I
WANT TO BE
A WRITER!

WHAT! YOU DON'T WANT TO
LEARN CRIME! YOU, WHOSE
FATHER, WHOSE FATHER'S
FATHER BEFORE HIM WAS A
CRIMINAL? YOU IN WHOSE
VEINS RUNS THE BLOOD OF
HORSE-THIEVES, PIRATES
AND CATTLE-
RUSTLERS?
FOR SHAME!

BUT
I
TELL
YOU--

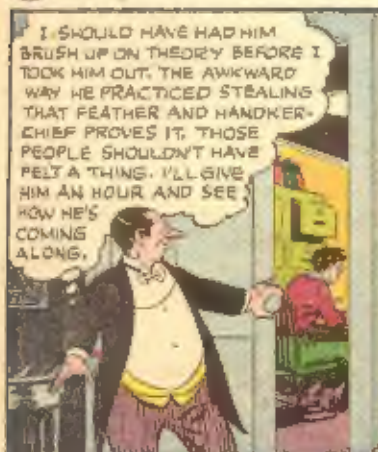
NO BUTS! YOUR FATHER SAVED
MY LIFE ONCE, AND I PROMISED
HIM I'D TEACH YOU THE TRADE IF
IT WAS THE LAST THING I DID!
BUT, ALAS, IT LOOKS AS IF YOU'RE
GOING TO BE A BUNGLER LIKE
ALL THE REST OF YOUR FAMILY.
C'MON, LET'S
RETURN TO
PENGUIN MANOR.

YES, YOUR GREAT UNCLE CYRUS WAS SUCH A
CLUMSY PIRATE, HE CAPTURED A SHIP WITH A
CARGO OF LEAD AND WENT DOWN WITH IT IN A
STORM. YOUR POOR FATHER SUFFOCATED
TO DEATH WHEN THE SAFE OF THE BANK HE
WAS ROBBING CLOSED ON HIM. BUT I'M
RESOLVED TO MAKE A
SUCCESSFUL CROOK OUT
OF YOU!

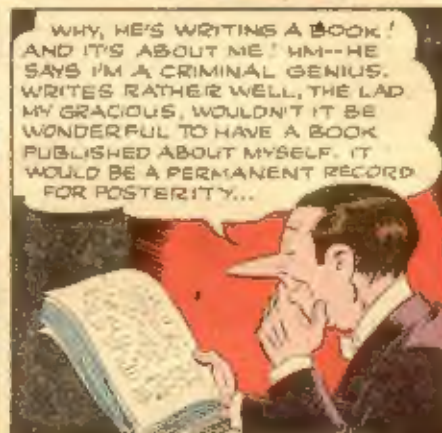
BUT
I DON'T
WANT
TO--

STILL, CLUMSY AS YOU ARE,
YOU'RE OF GOOD BLOOD.
BUT FIRST OF ALL, YOU'VE GOT TO
BRUSH UP ON CRIME THEORY. I WANT
YOU TO STUDY THOSE FILES OF
MINE AND LEARN ALL YOU CAN,
AND REMEMBER NO ARGU-
MENTS!

OH---
ALL
RIGHT!

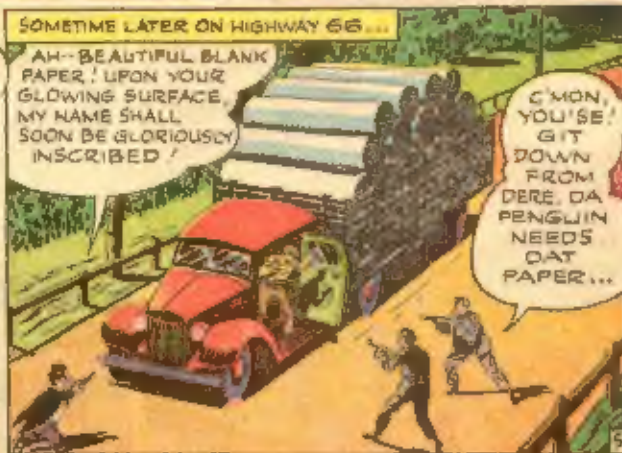
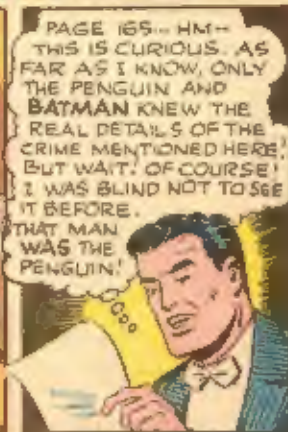
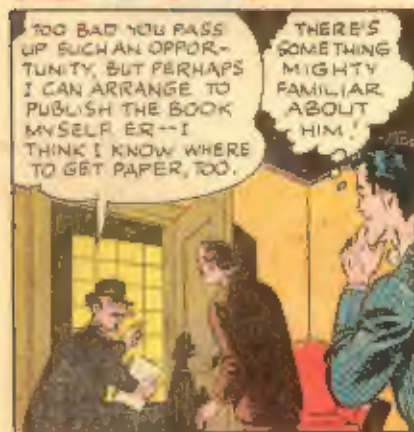


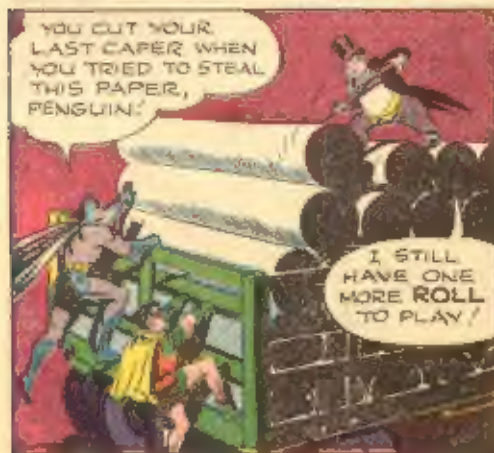
SO-- THE PENGUIN HAS AN APPRENTICE. IS A NEW THREAT TO LAW AND ORDER IN THE MAKING. LET'S JOIN THE PENGUIN AN HOUR LATER AS HE LOOKS IN TO SEE HOW HIS CHARGE IS MAKING OUT...



PERHAPS YOU DON'T RECOGNIZE MR. Q.T. BEEZLUM, LITERARY AGENT, BUT IF YOU'LL LOOK CLOSELY-- OF COURSE, IT'S THE PENGUIN! AND BY A CURIOUS STROKE OF CIRCUMSTANCE, BRUCE WAYNE-- WHO HAS A FINANCIAL FINGER IN MANY A PUDDING-- IS PRESENT AT THE PUBLISHERS...







A MOST FORTUNATE TURN OF EVENTS! I NOT ONLY HAVE THE PAPER, BUT BATMAN AND ROBIN AS WELL! QUICK, GET THEM ON THE TRUCK AND LET'S GET ALONG.

LOOKIT HIM, SLEEPIN' LIKE A BABY!



--AND THE PUBLISHER GAVE ME A WONDERFUL IDEA FOR MAKING A FORTUNE OUT OF YOUR BOOK. NATURALLY, I'LL HAVE TO MAKE A FEW REVISIONS...

MINUTES LATER, AT PENGUIN MANOR...

BUT I DON'T WANT IT REVISED. AFTER ALL, I'M THE AUTHOR!



THEY WON'T, EH? WELL, I HAVE MY OWN PUBLISHER. MY FRIEND SNIPE, THE COUNTERFEITER, HAS A VERY HANDY LITTLE PRESS AND I'VE GOT ALL THE PAPER HE'LL NEED.

BUT I REFUSE TO HAVE MY LITERARY WORK TREATED LIKE THAT!



YOU REFUSE, DO YOU? AFTER ALL I'VE TAUGHT YOU, YOU'LL BITE THE HAND THAT FEEDS YOU, EH? WELL, YOU'RE MY APPRENTICE AND YOU'LL DO AS I SAY!

SO THAT'S THE REASON FOR THE STOLEN HANDKERCHIEF AND FEATHER!



NOW, YOU LISTEN TO ME, EVERY CROOK IN TOWN WILL WANT A COPY OF THIS BOOK TO LEARN HOW I PLANNED MY CRIMES. WE'LL CALL IT "THE PENGUIN'S HANDY HOLD-UP MANUAL."

BUT--BUT NO PUBLISHER'LL TOUCH A BOOK LIKE THAT!



OBVIOUSLY, HE WAS OUT GIVING THE KID LESSONS. THAT'S WHY HE STOLE SUCH TRIVIAL THINGS!

OH, I GET IT NOW. BUT IF WE DON'T STOP THE PUBLICATION OF THAT BOOK, GOTHAM WILL TURN INTO A CROOK'S PARADISE!



FOOL! ALL YOU THINK OF IS ART! DON'T YOU REALIZE WHAT A FORTUNE WE CAN MAKE SELLING THIS BOOK TO THE UNDER-WORLD?

YOU WON'T SELL IT AS EASILY AS YOU THINK, PENGUIN. THE UNDER-WORLD HASN'T FORGOTTEN HOW I'VE CAUGHT YOU ON PRACTICALLY EVERY JOB!





IT LOOKS LIKE A SAD DAY FOR LAW AND ORDER IN GOTHAM CITY, WITH THE BATMAN GIVING HIS OPEN SUPPORT TO CRIME. BUT WAIT! CAN IT BE THAT WE'VE MADE A MISTAKE?



SUDDENLY THE BATMAN'S IMPROVISED SLING
SHOT HIM OUT HE HAD AN IN-PEN COVER
WITH BULLET LIKE SPEED

BUT IT'S WORKING
FINE NOW

AWA

CLING

ZING

RIGHT
BETWEEN
THE EYES

WHICH SHOULD DENY NO RATE
THAT THE PEN IS LIGHTER
THAN THE TOMMY GUN

MY
GIRL
BATMAN
BUT I
COULDN'T
HEAR
THINKING

IT'S ALL RIGHT
ROBIN YOUR
FEAR IS ONLY
HE GOT ME TO
DEFEAT THE
PENGUIN

NO YOU
WON'T HAVE
TO GO TO
JAIL YOU'VE
LIVED SO
LONG THAT
OUR REAL
INTERESTS
AREN'T
MINE

AND IF YOU
WANT TO
KNOW WHERE
TO FIND AN
IN-PEN
THE COUNTER
FEITER
MAYBE YOU
CAN WRITE
A GUIDE
ENDING TO
YOUR
BOOK

AN ENEMY
THAT'LL PUT THE
PENGUIN BEHIND BARS
AND TEACH THE
FUTURE UNDERWORLD
THAT RIME DOESN'T
PAY

AN IN-PEN
THE
COUNTERFEITER
LET ME SEE NOW
THERE WAS A STONE
MENTION OF AN IN-PEN
IN THE PENGUIN'S
FILES.

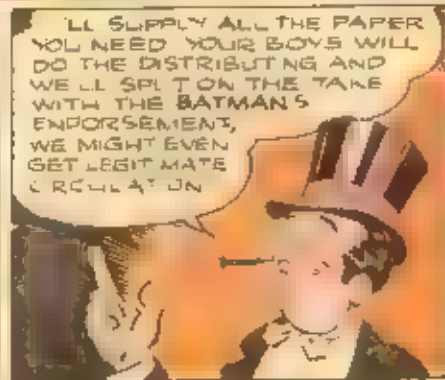
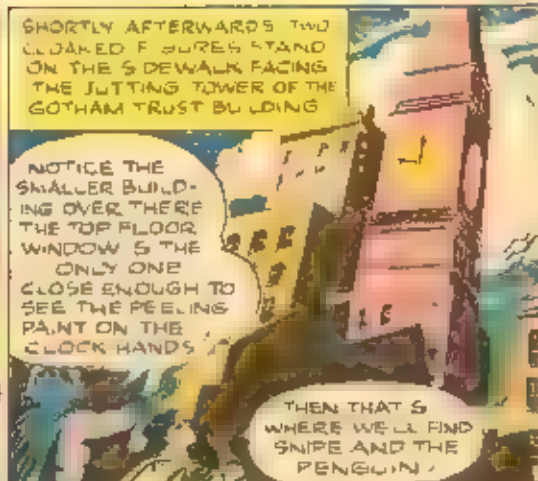
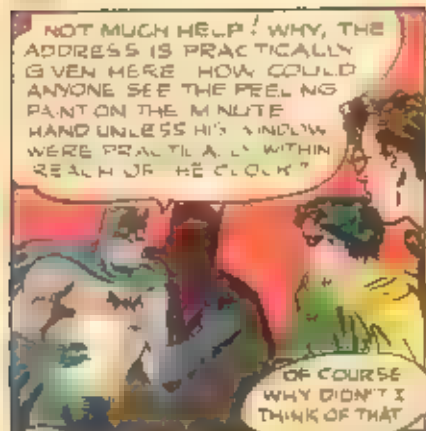
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NOW I SUPPOSE
I'LL HAVE TO GO
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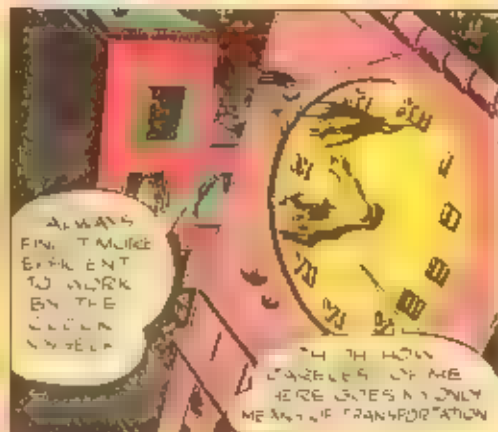
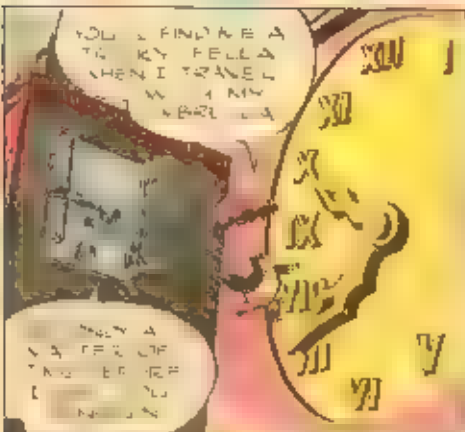
AN HERE IT IS
BUT I'M AFRAID
IT'S WONT
GIVE US THE
ADDRESS

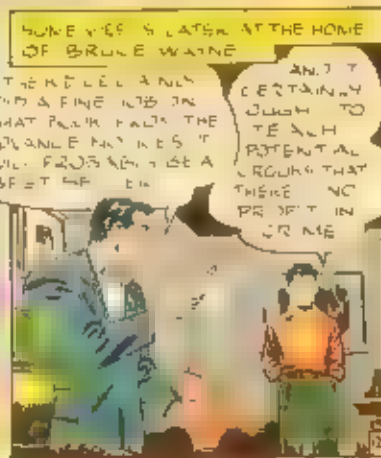
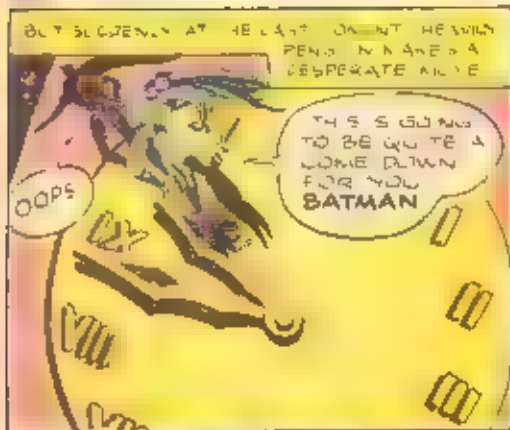
LET'S HAVE
A LOOK AT
IT ANYWAY

and I am in all
that the system
has been used
at the present
time in the
city of Gotham
and it is not
the only one
that has been
used in the
city of Gotham
and it is not
the only one
that has been
used in the
city of Gotham

NOT MUCH HELP
I'M AFRAID THE LOCK
ON THAT BUILDING CAN
BE SEEN FROM ANY OF THE
HOUSES AROUND THERE







SON OF HIS FATHER

by Eddie Bell

HE was a mere stripling, this young Kang, son of Wan Ho but he used to afford us a lot of fun on the nights the Nips weren't attending over their washing machines to drop bombs around us.

The boys in the company used to get a lot of pleasure teaching Kang the kind of English that isn't too bad, meaning a sort of jumble. And when young Kang would try it on a soldier, usually it was awfully funny.

Wan Ho, the kid's poppy, was one of those natives who could not do too much for the people who had come to New Guinea to drive out the hated sons of Hahito. And he wasn't afraid to risk his life. It was a good thing to have a fellow like that around. The old man knew the jungle better than anyone in the region. After all, he had been brought up in it. The jungle offered him food and drink. In practice he had collected rare plants, and butterflies, and flowers for collectors the world over. It was a job he had intended to pass on to young Kang.

The Nip invasion had stopped that. But the Nips hadn't been able to stop Wan Ho. He managed to elude their clutches and to stay out of their until we boys battered our way along the island.

He wasn't in the Army mind yet. He was too old to enlist. But the old Brimstone Engineer knew a good thing, unofficially of course, when he saw one. He knew that Kang was a wonder at imitation. He could slip through Jap lines like nobody's business. "Course I can't say positively that he brought back information. But it always happened that whenever he disappeared, then he turned, there'd be a look of

action on Brimstone's rugged face. And things would happen.

Young Kang was as proud of the old man as his poppy was of him. The kid would always be talking of the times he spent in the jungle with his father. "In the days of peace," he'd end, and there'd be a awful expression on his face, "my father was a great man."

He's a great man now, too, kid," we'd say, thinking of a surprise attack we'd made, and thinking too what part Wan Ho might have played.

The kid's heart was with pleasure. He'd heard that man, too, someday, he'd tell us.

Well, I guess none of us expected we'd be around to see that day. You grow up with the jungle and you grow old in it and maybe Kang would be great. But the war would be long over by then.

Yes, none of us expected it. Any more than we thought anything could happen to Wan Ho. But happen it did. We didn't know it, of course, for a couple of days. Brimstone's face finally gave it away.

I guess the Old Man really cared for the native, otherwise that poker face would have displayed nothing. Maybe, when the Old Man saw Kang's face begin to deepen with worry, he just couldn't take it. Like us, he was very fond of the spry youngster. The kid had a lively, new love of life about him, that really lifted up us boys.

When Brimstone finally broke the news, or rather allowed it to be broken, I'll confess we really felt pretty bad. Information came out that Wan Ho had been out on some sort of unofficial reconnaissance. After all, he was a native, and really under no supervision ex-

cept the protection we brought with us.

I was standing next to young Kang when the news broke. And I'll say this for the kid, he certainly took it standing up.

We didn't know what he was thinking. We found out that night. One of our sentries caught him going through the line. The kid was wearing nothing but a sarong and a Ranger's knife. He fought but back he was brought.

They took him to Brimstone, and, as usually happens, the story came down the line. The kid stood up before the Old Man and said he was going to find his father. He'd kill the Nips.

Just simply just like that. But there was murder in the cold way he said the words.

Brimstone spoke to him just like a father. Didn't the boy know he wouldn't stand a chance? That the Nips were everywhere, out in that jungle? He gave it to him right from the shoulder. Too much time had elapsed. There was no doubt that his father had been captured, and probably killed. It would be better to try to forget that. That, said the Colonel, would be the way Wan Ho would want it.

That hadn't worked with the kid. Kang had argued that if his father had been murdered, there were two things a dual son should do. First, find the body and bury it according to tribal ritual. Second, avenge the death.

So the Colonel issued orders that the lad was to be confined to camp. Then, for the next three days, sentries were busy bringing him back. And each time the kid was proud haughty facing Brimstone. His father, he insisted, was alive. He must have been hurt to have been

(Continued on inside back cover)

The Adventures of ALFRED

THE WORLD'S FINE OSTER
HAD WILL SHAPE PEARL EXPRESS
ING TO AID THE SENTINENTS OF
ALFRED BUTLER EXTRAORDINARY
BUT IN ANOTHER AN FURNISH
SUFFERING AND ALYED AMATE
MENT'S EXTREME WHEN AN
UNSELFISH SHELLEFISH PRESENTS...

"THE PEARL OF PERIL"



AN UNUSUAL OCCASION IN THE LIFE OF ALFRED

THE MAWSTERS ARE
VISITING FRIENDS AND WON'T
RETURN UNTIL LATE SO HERE
NO NEED OF MY COOKING
SEE WHAT RESTAURANT
FOOD TASTES LIKE



WHY SEEMS THAT ALL
SORTS OF PEOPLE EAT HERE
BUT AFTER ALL THE FOODS
THE THING I HOPE
IT'S GOOD



BUT ALFRED'S ATTENTION IS SOON
TURNED FROM HIS OWN FOOD TO
THAT OF OTHERS IN THE MIST
OF THE AREA.

WHAT A
WHAT A GOOD
FELLOW?

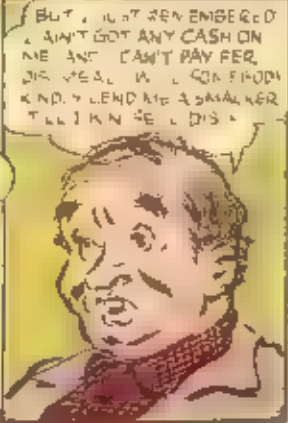


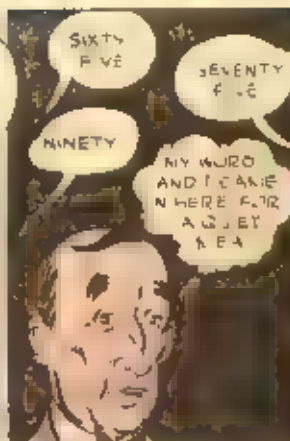
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MUST BE WORTH A GRAND
A RICH



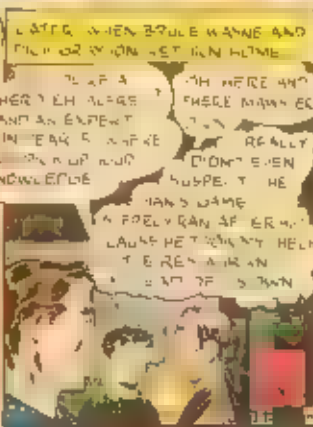
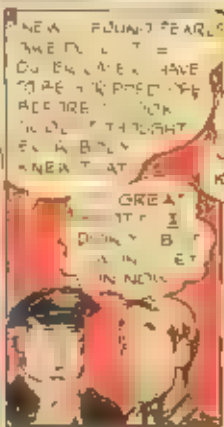
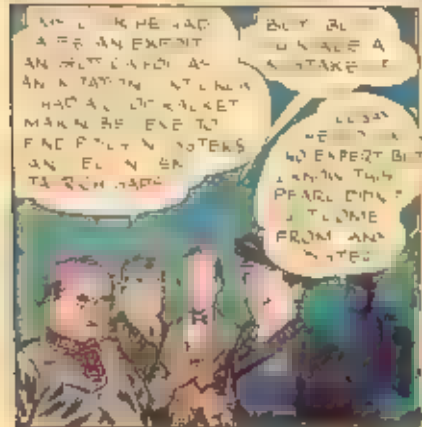
OH, OH,
WHY COULDN'T
THAT HAVE HAPPENED
TO ME?

BUT, I JUST REMEMBERED
I AIN'T GOT ANY CASH ON
ME AND CAN'T PAY FOR
DIS MEAL. I'LL GO FROM
KNOWLEDGE AND A SMALLER
TILL I KNOW SE LDIS.



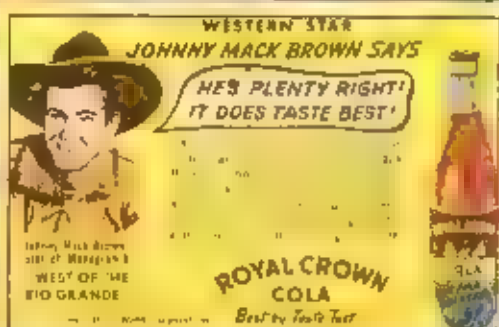


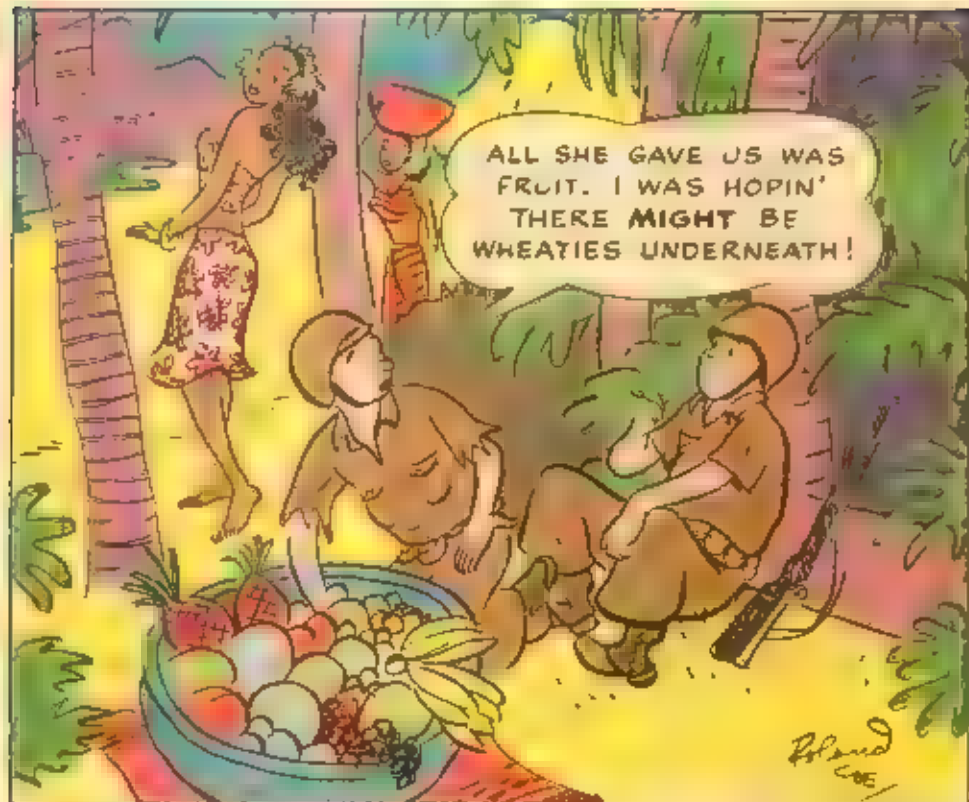




ADVENTURES OF "R.C." AND QUICKIE

RACE WITH DEATH!





WHAT NO WHEATIES?

YOU JUST NATURALLY TEAM UP FRUIT AND MILK AND THOSE BIG CRISP TOASTED FLAKES AND YOU JUST NATURALLY GO FOR THAT CHAMPION WHOLE GRAIN NOURISHMENT, WHEN YOUR APPETITE GETS ACQUAINTED WITH WHEATIES FAMOUS "SECOND HELPING" FLAVOR GET YOUR SHARE OF GOOD NOURISHMENT AND GRAND FLAVOR AND SWELL FUN GIVE YOURSELF LOTS OF MILK, FRUIT AND WHEATIES "BREAKFAST OF CHAMPIONS" EVERY MORNING



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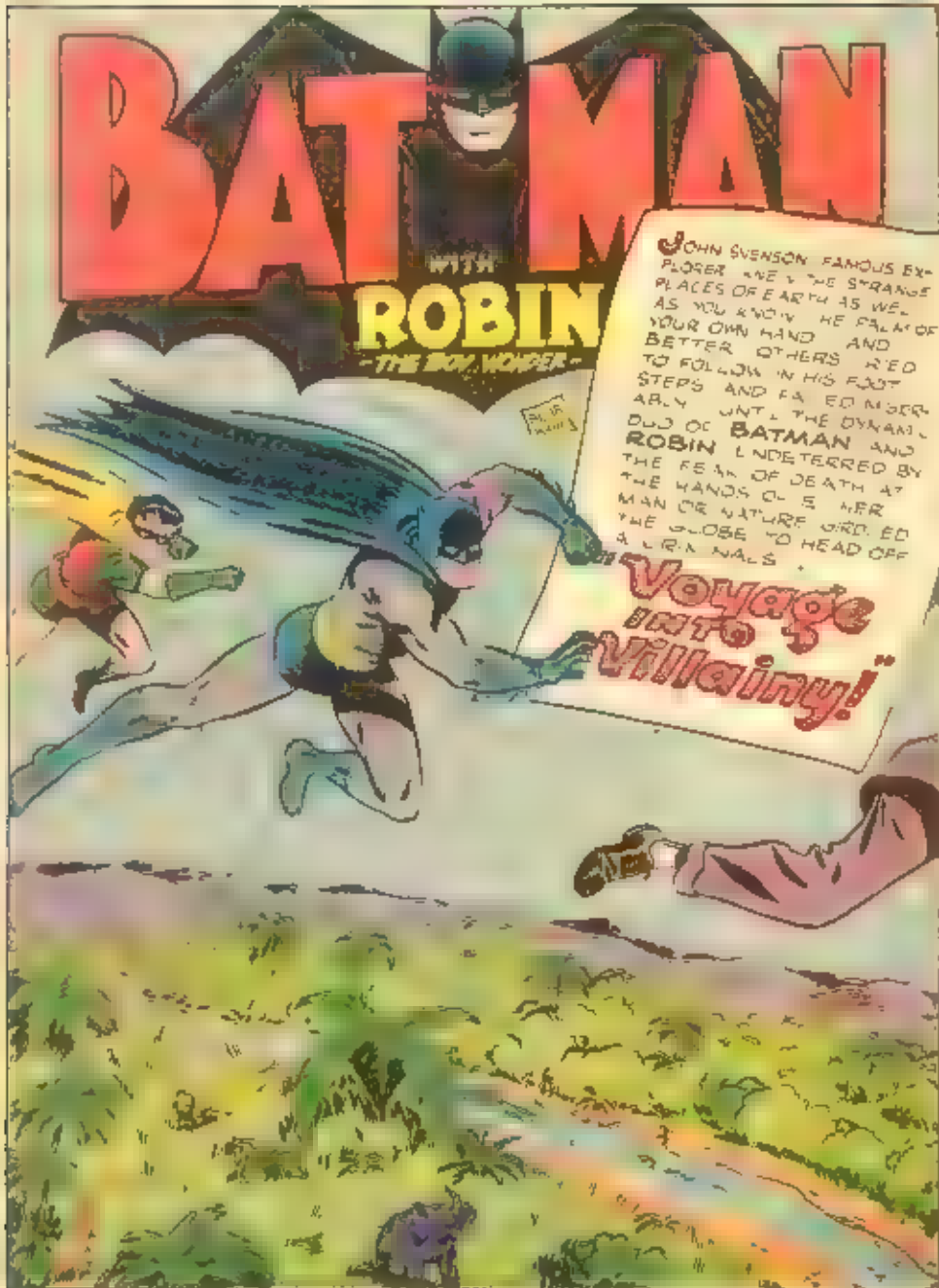
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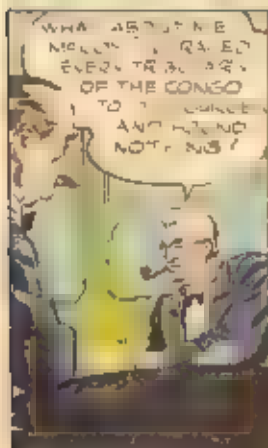
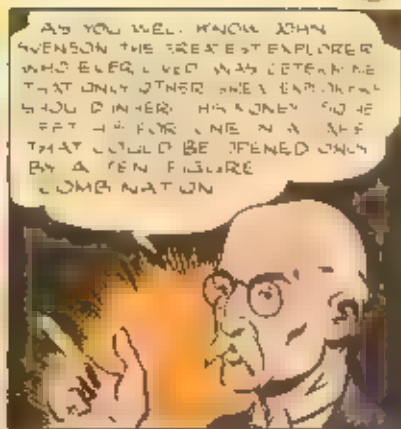
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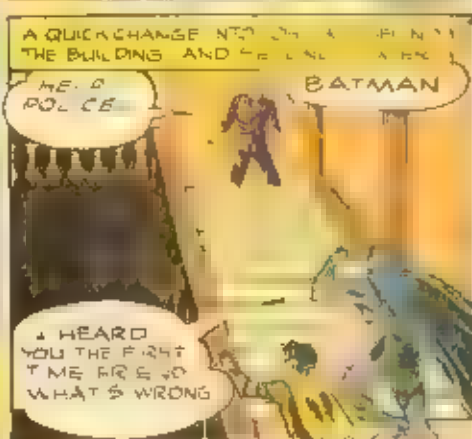
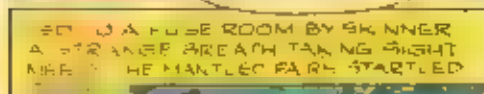
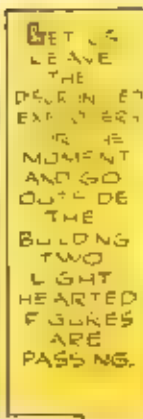
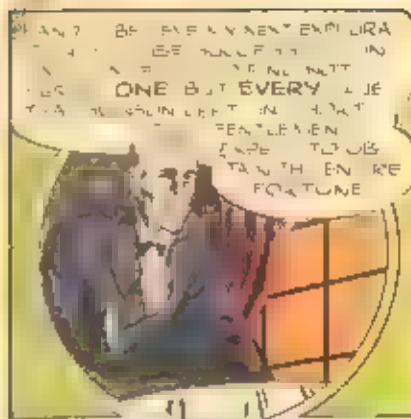
WITH
ROBIN
-THE BOY WONDER-

JOHN SVENSON, FAMOUS EXPLORER, AND THE STRANGE PLACES OF EARTH AS WELL AS YOU KNOW, HE PALMS OFF BETTER OTHERS WED TO FOLLOW IN HIS FOOT STEPS AND FARED UNDER ABLY UNTIL THE DYNAMIC DUO OF BATMAN AND ROBIN UNDETERRED BY THE FEAR OF DEATH AT THE HANDS OF A HERMAN OR NATURE JERDED THE GLOBE TO HEAD OFF A LIAISON.

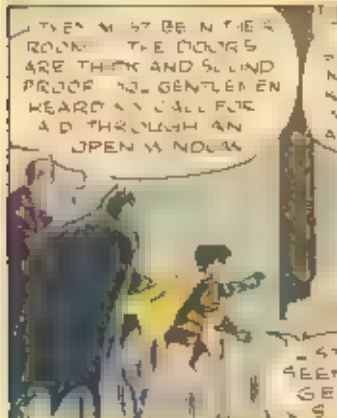
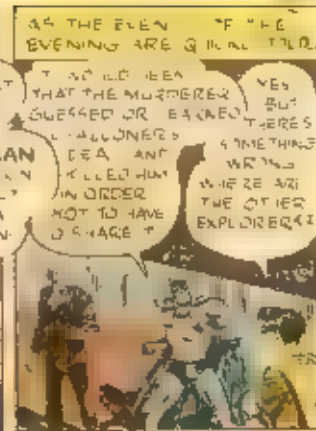
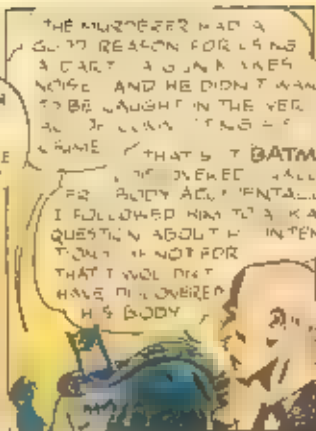
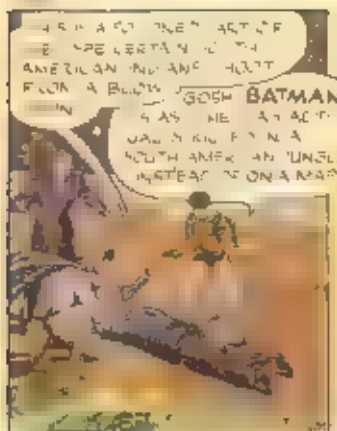
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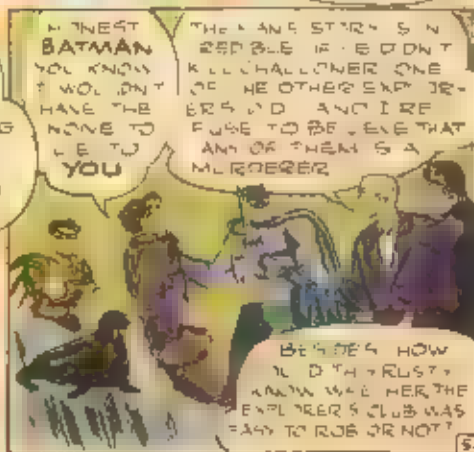
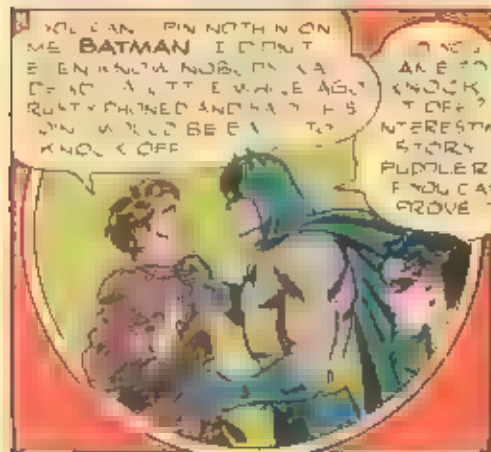






BATMAN





I DON'T THINK I
KNEW ANYTHING ABOUT
THE CLUB ANYMORE
S THAT HE TOLD ME
CA. AT A LATE ONE
P.M. HE DID AND PRETEND
ED HE WAS
RUSTY

THAT'S IT BATMAN
THAT NEWSPAPER
EDITOR CALLED ME
FIVE AGO

EXACTLY. I REMEMBERED
THE PEOPLE BELIEVE THEN
I WOULDN'T BE THE DOCTOR
ON RUSTY ANTIPODOL
KNOWING NALKA AT A
KNOWN AN OUT AND AT
A MENTIONED THAT RUSTY
HAD BEEN SICK

YOU GOT
IT. BATMAN
I THOUGHT HIS VOICE
SOUNDED FUNNY OVER
THE PHONE
BUT I
BLAMED
IT ON HIS
COLD

SO IT WOULD APPEAR
THAT ONE OF YOUR EN
FLORES HAD DID
MURDER CHASE INFER
AN UNBELIEVABLE
HERE NO ORDER
IN THE CRIME
ON HIS

I CAN
TELL YOU

PRESENTLY AFTER THE CRIMINALS
ARE BOUND AND HELPLESS

SENT KEN I HAD YOU CALLED
TOGETHER BECAUSE I AM
CONVINCED THAT ONE
OF YOU IS A MURDERER

THIS IS AN
ATRAGE

WE MUST FACE THE
FACTS GENTLEMEN
THALLONER WAS KILLED
BECAUSE HE GUESSED A
VITAL SECRET. NAMELY
THAT THE FIVE CLUES
SVENSON LEFT ARE
ALL IN THIS
BUILDING

WHA. I NO MORE

YOU ALL STOP
THE
BATMAN

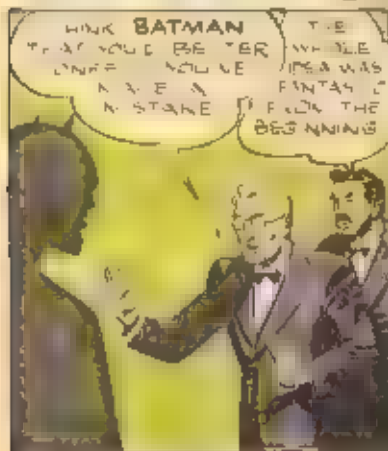
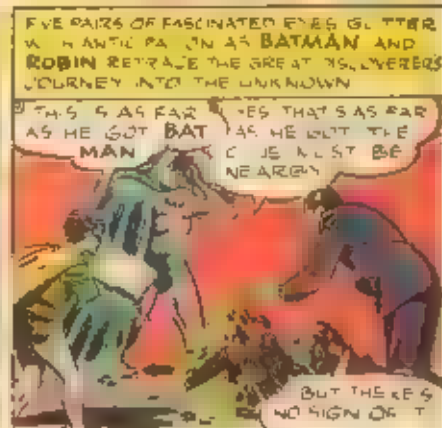
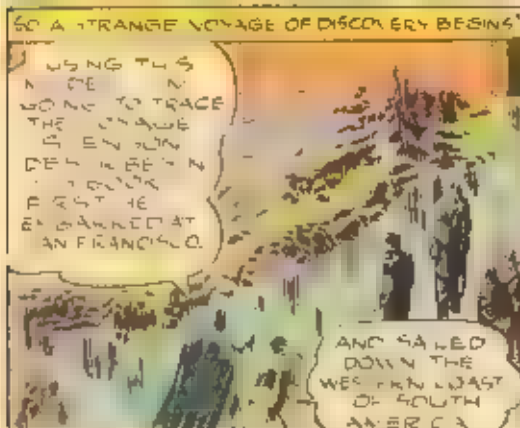
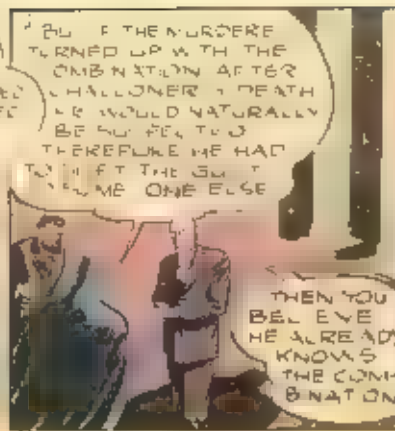
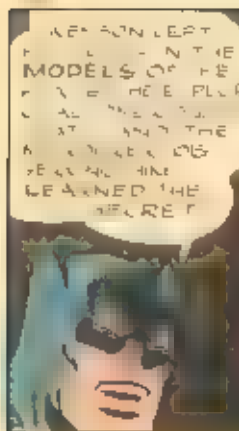
OF COURSE THE MURDER
WAS DONE WHEN YOU WERE
TRAVELLING TO THE
CORNERS ON THE FIVE
YOU CAN TAKE A
LITTLE BIT OF EACH AT

I THINK I CAN. THIS BOOK DESCRIBES
SVENSON'S DISCOVERIES IN THE ANTARCTIC
HIS LAST VOYAGE WAS MADE IN 1930
AND HE NEVER RETURNED TO
ANTARCTICA AFTERWARDS

WHAT DOES
THAT
SIGNIFY?

THIS BUILDING
WAS ERRECTED IN 1934
AND THE SAFE PUT IN
THE SAME YEAR. SO
SVENSON COULDN'T
HAVE LEFT A CLUE TO
THE COMBINATION
NEAR THE SOUTH
POLE

I WILL
DON'T TALK
T



TO BE ABSURD IF THIS ANGEL
REPRESENTS A JILLY AND WHY
HASN'T IT ERUPTED UP TO NOW

IT'S BECAUSE THE
HEAVENS ARE

TALKING ABOUT
THE BATMAN
THERE'S A
HOOK

THE PRESENCE OF A KING FENDER
AND SUDDENLY LONG SHOTTERING
FIRE - FLARE UP

LOOK A FEW
FATHER
BATMAN

RRRRRR

NOT PAPER
ROBIN
PRINCE LITH
AND THE OTHER
COUNCIL ARE
THE THIRD
PART

PARALLELS OF LATITUDE SLIP
BY PENALTY THE GLUE, GIRD
THE CRIBS OF THE KANTED
DARK AND NOW IN DARK

IN AFRICA
GLENIN INKESYATED THE
DIFFERENT RIVERS THAT FLOWED
THE CONGO WE SHALL
RETRACE HIS STEPS
AS BEFORE

HERE
MORE THAN
LOOK A LEE
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CALLED A
HALT

SOME HERE
WHERE WE ARE
FIND WE NEXT
BLUE

FRANK
BATMAN

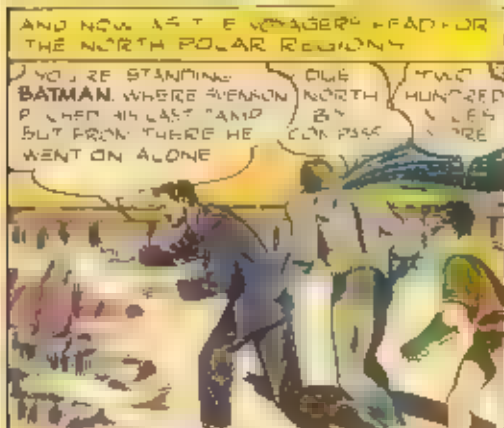
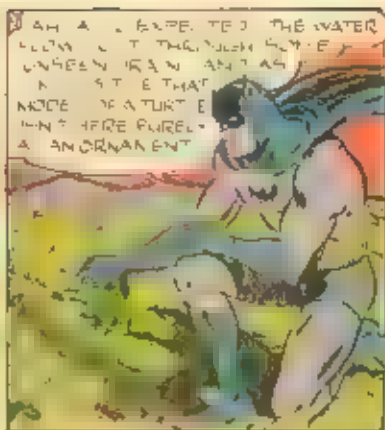
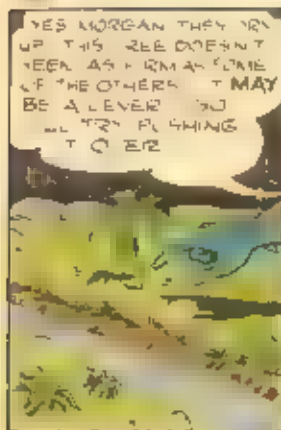
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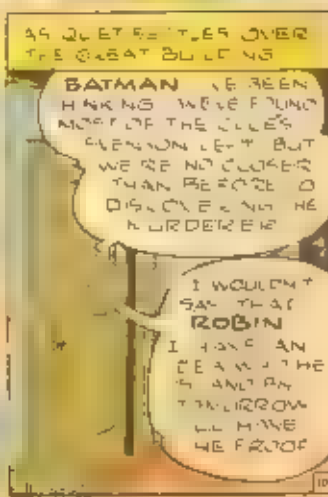
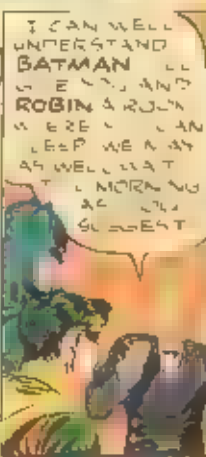
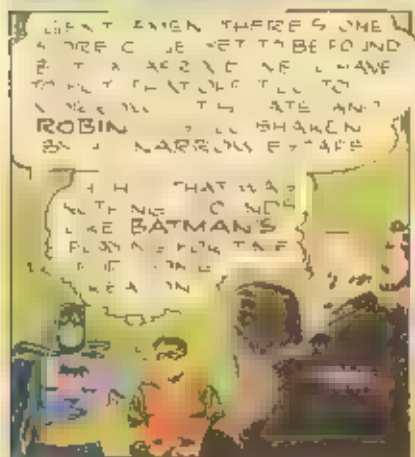
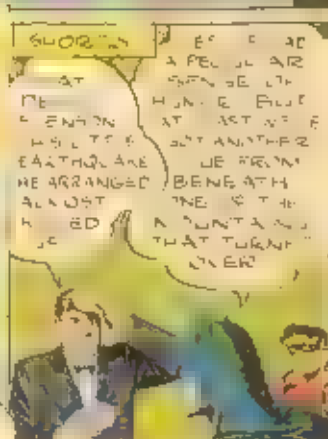
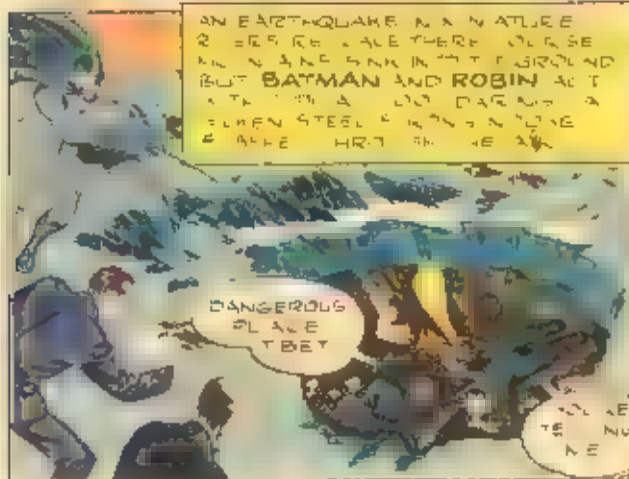
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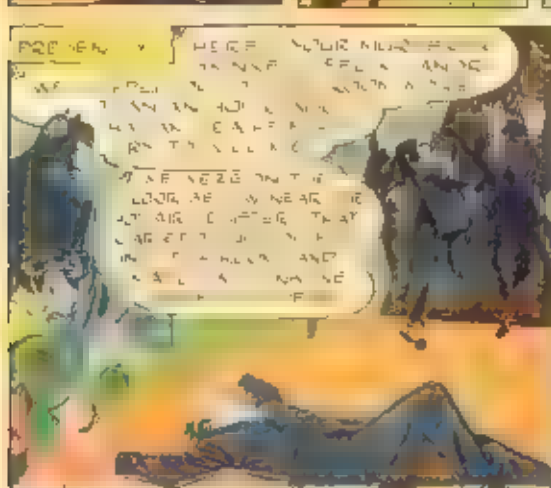
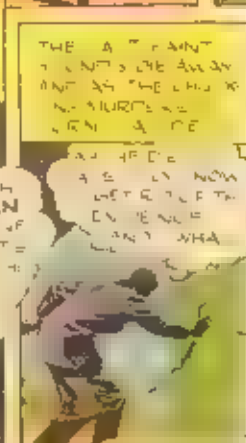
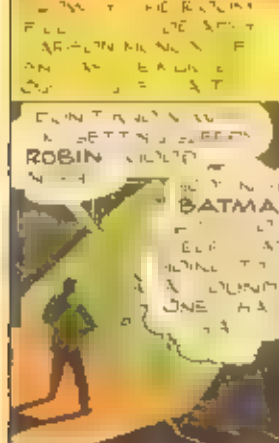
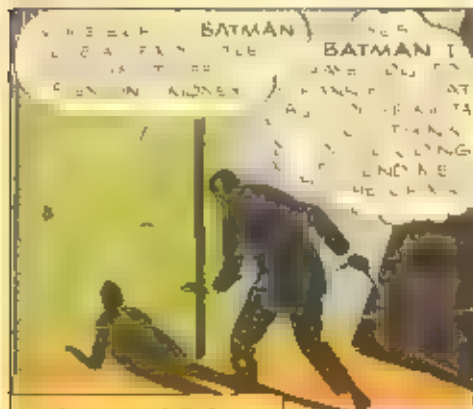
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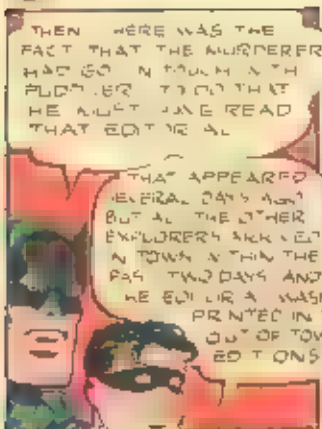
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BATMAN

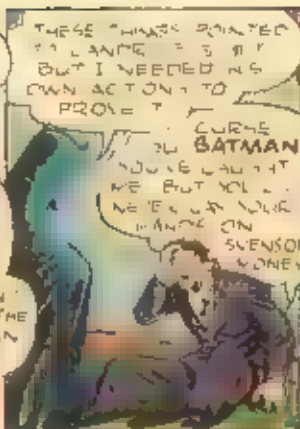






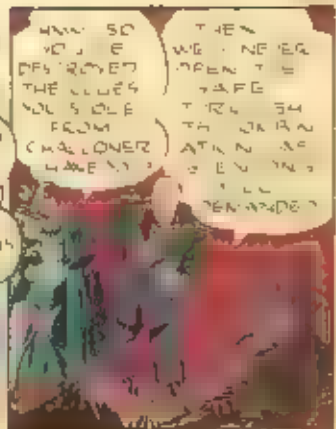
THEN HERE WAS THE FACT THAT THE MURDERER HAD GOTTEN THROUGH WITH PLUNDER TO DO THAT HE MUST HAVE READ THAT EDITORIAL

THAT APPEARED SEVERAL DAYS AGO BUT ALL THE OTHER EXPLORERS ARRIVED IN TOWN WITHIN THE PAST TWO DAYS AND HE EDITORIAL WASN'T PRINTED IN THE OUT OF TOWN EDITIONS



THESE "HACK" WRITERS CAN WRITE AS MUCH BUT I NEEDED MY OWN ACTION TO PROVE IT

CURSE YOU BATMAN! YOU'VE CAUGHT ME BUT YOU'VE TAKEN YOUR HANDS OFF MY SWENSON'S MONEY



HOW SO YOU'VE DEPICTED THE CLUES YOU'VE GOTTEN FROM FOLLOWER (MURDERER) HAVE YOU?

THEY WE'VE NEVER OPEN THE SAFE TRYING TO GET THE JOURNAL AT IN ANOTHER WAY

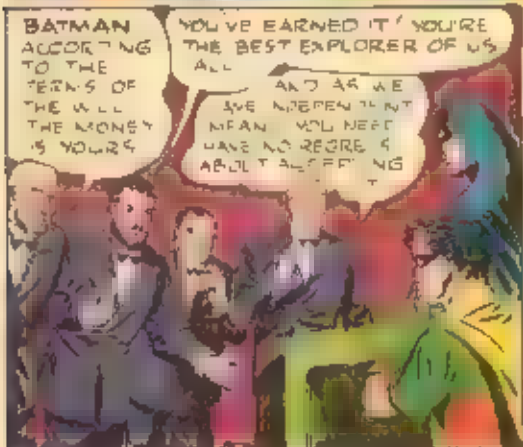


BUT LITTLE DO THESE MEN KNOW AND THE RESOURCEFULNESS OF MIGHTY BATMAN MOMENTS LATER A TRICK

IT IS TRUE THAT WE'VE NEVER FOUND THE LAST CLUE BUT WE DON'T NEED IT WITH ONLY TWO NUMBERS MISSING THERE ARE ONLY 100 POSSIBILITIES BEGINNING WITH 00 AND ENDING WITH 99

AND WITHIN A FEW MINUTES AH WE'VE GOT IT

GREAT CLUE! THE ANSWER IS A 55-50



BATMAN ACCORDING TO THE TERMS OF THE WILL THE MONEY IS YOURS

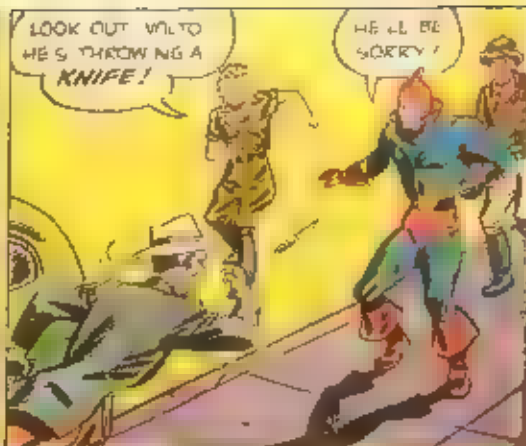
YOU'VE EARNED IT! YOU'RE THE BEST EXPLORER OF US ALL

AND AS WE ARE INDEPENDENT MEAN YOU NEED HAVE NO REGRETS ABOUT ACCEPTING IT

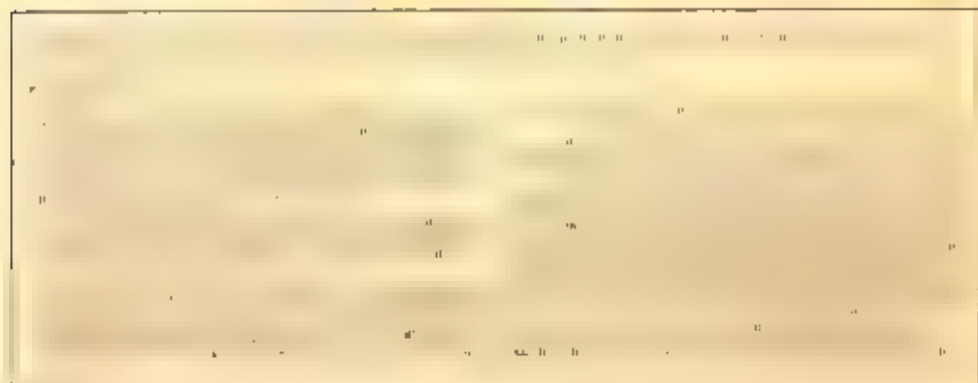
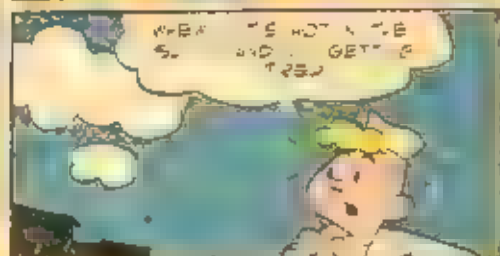
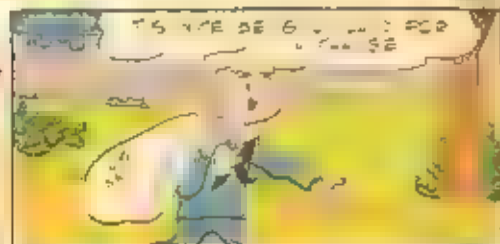
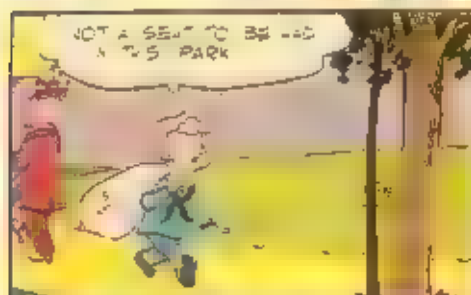


NO GENTLEMEN I DON'T WANT THE MONEY. I'D RATHER HAVE IT GO TO CHARITY

GET BATMAN WHAT WOULD YOU CHARGE TO DO WITHOUT US?



SHORTY



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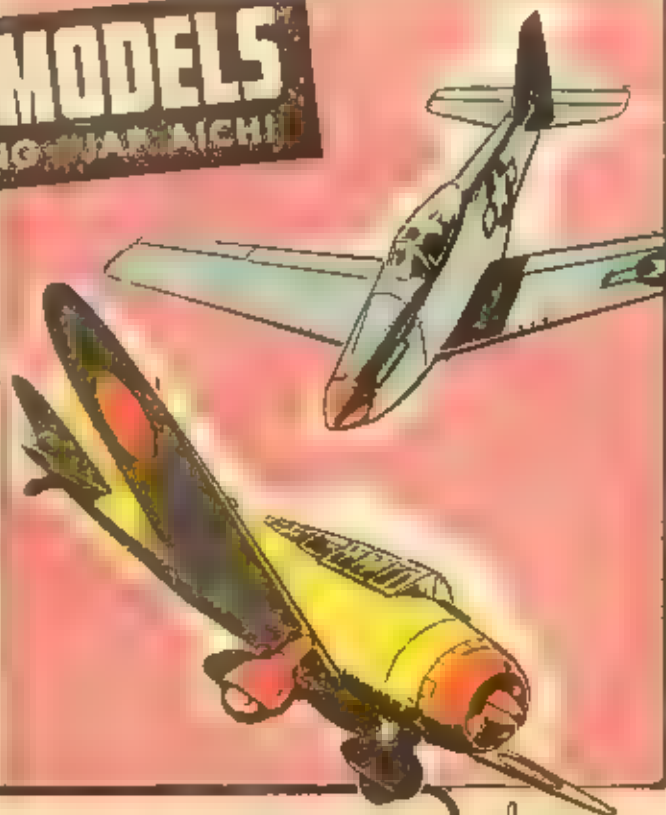
Official battle insignia! Mustang! A model of a Mustang and Archy! No features! A model of a Mustang and Archy!

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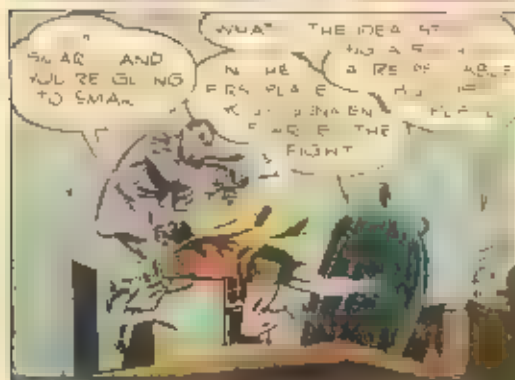
BATMAN

ROBIN

IF YOU'RE FAMILIAR WITH THE ADVENTURES OF BATMAN'S RELUCTANT PARTNER, YOU'VE KNOWN HIM AS THE "BOY WHO WON THE WORLD" WHEN THE MYSTICAL STAR OF THE WAR MEN SHINE AT JUSTICE AND AT THE SAME TIME, HE'S THE MIGHTY BATMAN AND ROBIN AS HE FARES WITH HIS MORE ALIEN ENEMY AND WOULD BE TO TELL AN OLD STORY OF THE NEW WAY.

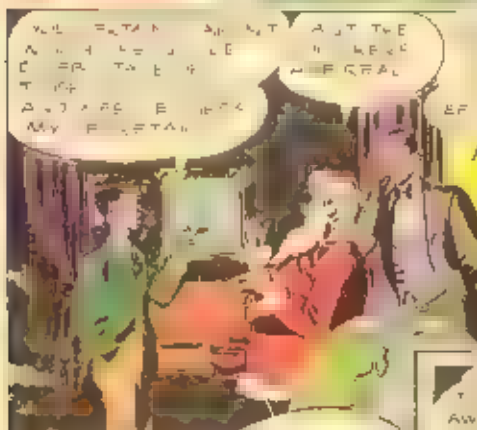
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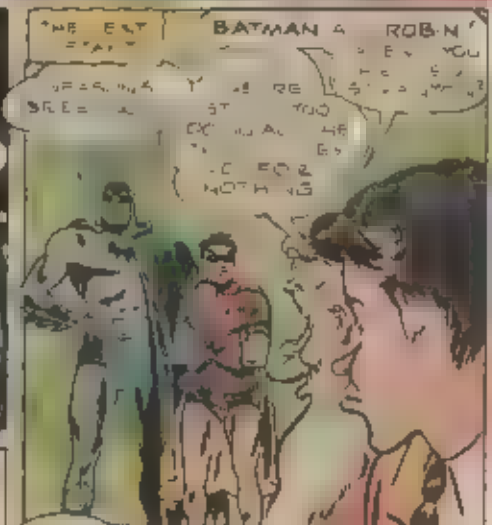
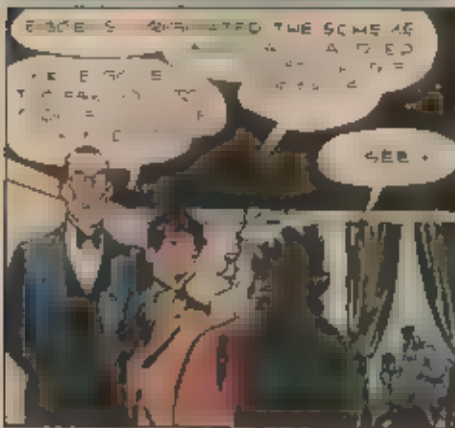
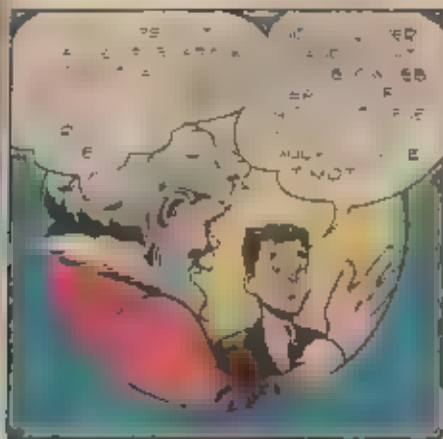
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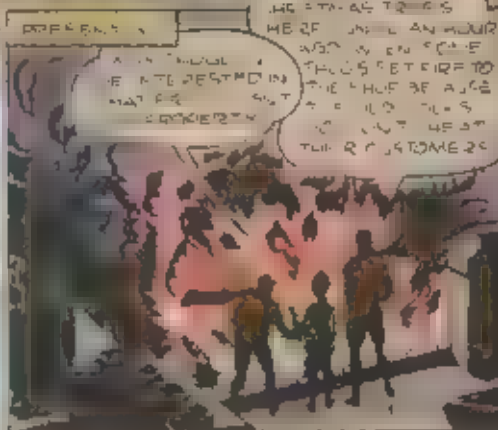




A CHRISTMAS PERIL



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AT THAT MOMENT

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A PATENT
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G. H. + P.
SEE

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 2. 107 WAFN
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BUT SURE

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Relief 4 - A small, rectangular relief showing a seated figure, possibly a deity or ruler, holding a staff or scepter.

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WHERE'S HE
SUPERINTENDENT?
I WANT MEET
TO HAVE THE BEST
DOCTORS AVAILABLE
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STAY WIRE
STARTING L A T
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WE'LL MAKE HIM
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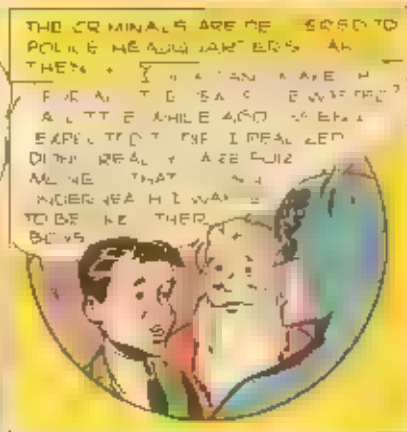
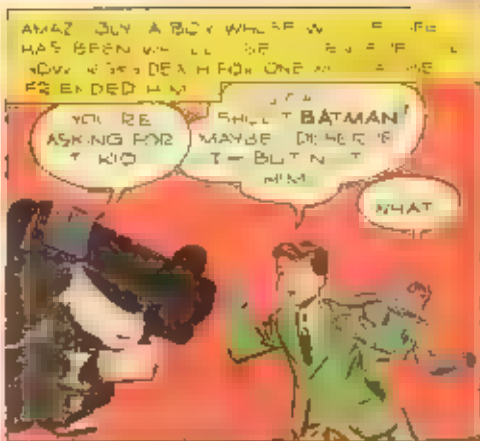
JUST
RING THE
BELL AND
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BATMAN





A CHRISTMAS PERIL



AS MIDNIGHT CHIMES ANNOUNCE THE BIRTH OF CHRISTMAS DAY...

JINGLE BELLS!
JINGLE BELLS!



LESS NOISE!
THEY'LL
HEAR US!

TAKE IT
EASY,
UNCLE
TIM!

AS IF BY A MIRACLE, A DREARY SLUM DWELLING IS TRANSFORMED INTO A PLACE OF JOY!

WHY DIDN'T
ANYBODY EVER
TELL ME IT WAS
FUN DOING
THINGS FOR
OTHERS?

GEE, WE WERE
AFRAID YOU WOULDN'T
FIND US THIS YEAR,
SANTA!

BLESS
YOU!



AND THE LOHNS MANSION IS NO LONGER GLOOMY!

WE DIDN'T
SAVE A SINGLE
PRESENT FOR
SCRANTON!

WHY I'VE
JUST BEEN
GIVEN THE
FINEST PRE-
SENTATION EARTH—
SOMETHING ALL
MY FORTUNE
COULDN'T
BUY!



I'VE LEARNED THE
SECRET OF REAL HAP-
PINESS! I'M GOING TO
DEVOTE MY TIME AND
MONEY TO SPREADING
CHEER THE YEAR 'ROUND
--AND I ONLY WISH
EVERYONE COULD KNOW
HOW MUCH FUN I'M
GOING TO HAVE!

LET'S TELL
THE WORLD
ABOUT IT--
SHALL WE?



LATER, IN THE HOSPITAL, WHERE FAMOUS DOCTORS HAVE LED JOE MEKKER OUT OF THE SHADOW OF DEATH...

YOU'RE GOING
TO GET WELL,
JOE--AND SANTA
CLAUS HAS
BOUGHT US
A NEW AND
BETTER
STORE.

DON'T BE ASHAMED
OF RAWLING--IT
FEELS LIKE IT
MYSELF!

IT'S THE
HAPPIEST
CHRISTMAS
WE'VE EVER
HAD AFTER
ALL!



GREETINGS
TO ONE AND
ALL FROM
UNCLE
TIM!

AND FROM
YOUNG SCROOGE
LOHNS--
WHO WON'T
BE KNOWN BY
THAT NAME
ANY LONGER!

AND A MERRY
CHRISTMAS,
EVERYBODY,
FROM
BATMAN--

AND
ROBIN!



taken prisoner in the first place. Another thing, his father was wise enough to make the Nips want to keep him alive and healthy.

Well, maybe there was some logic, certainly some positiveness to the boy's faith. Maybe it convinced Brimstone, maybe it had nothing to do with it. Nevertheless, I couldn't help feeling happy about the whole thing the night I was detailed to take six men on patrol. "You are to follow your orders to the letter, Sergeant," the Lieutenant told me, "but if, on the way, you should happen to be scouting around and perhaps discover what happened to Wan Ho, it wouldn't be bad."

A guy couldn't ask for a plainer invitation, and I can tell you that we attacked our patrol mission with a vengeance, figuring on taking a little time to look around. I had a bunch of swell scouts behind me, too, everyone a good Ranger, everyone skilled in woodcraft.

Oh, at least, I thought so. I still don't know to this day how Kang happened to be behind us all the time. It was only by a lucky accident we caught on. Lucky for Kang, too, because one of the boys was up in a tree, with knife ready. He recognized Kang just in time.

I let the lad have it, too, in whispers, but nonetheless vehement. What was the idea of leaving the post? How did he get out? Didn't he know how narrowly he had escaped death?

Believe it or not, he just smiled. "I think I have found a trail," he said. "They took my father along it."

What a trail that was, through the dark, moonless jungle! The moon wasn't due to come up for four hours, and when it did, it would be best for us to be back in camp. I knew that, and so did the boys.

But just the same we followed that kid, and it was no picnic, getting through the briars, the swamps, the lethal vines underfoot, and no knowing who might be in each tree.

Come three hours and we were ready to give up. I'll admit I thought the kid was trying to get us to keep moving ahead on the long chance we'd stumble across his father. And as the hours passed, I was more convinced. Finally, I grabbed him. "That's about enough," I said. "We'll have to try it again some other time."

He gasped, stood still. "But I sense he is here," he whispered. "I feel it. I know somehow he will talk to us."

"Nonsense." I couldn't waste any more time. We had done what we could. "Come on. Or we'll carry you back." I reached for him, just as a stray breeze blew across my hot face.

He jumped back. "No," he said. "He is here. I know." His chest began to heave. He snuffed into the breeze. "My father is not far from here," he said excitedly. "Come."

We followed him, inching along. I couldn't figure the thing out, yet I knew I had to give the kid this last break. If it was wrong, okay, we'd done what we could. And how did I know we didn't owe it to Wan Ho?

And then, suddenly, the moon came up and we saw them. There were six of them, Nip snipers. And in between them, dragging along on a broken leg, was Wan Ho!

Gosh, I felt good. It was my party from then on. I whispered my orders and we scattered. One Nip to each man. I'd take care of Wan Ho. No signals, we all knew what to do.

Oh, it was pretty to watch the way my men operated. Like shadows they darted from the trees and just like that there were six dead Nips. And we had Wan Ho and were carrying him back to camp. Right behind Wan Ho trotted a very proud little boy, too.

In the excitement, I didn't think to ask how Kang had known so positively that his father was there. It wasn't until we were receiving congratula-

tions in Brimstone's tent that I learned the secret.

"My son," Wan Ho said to the Colonel, "has been a good pupil. I knew he would find me if I but left a trail."

"But there wasn't any trail, Wan Ho," I said. "It just seemed as though he found you by instinct."

Wan Ho smiled, looked at the boy, who unwrapped something from a big leaf. The odor almost drove me out of the tent. "Rot-ten fish," I gasped.

"Yes," Wan Ho said, "the invaders gave it to me to eat. They did not know that in the jungle, one should bury it deep. For it leaves a trail that cannot be mistaken, particularly if there is a breeze. Every night I have left my bad fish lying about, when the wind was blowing away from my captors."

Kang laughed happily. "And it was I who smelled it, father," he said proudly. "Just as you taught me."

Think of it, six Nips caught by a fish!

THESE BOYS ARE GIVING THEIR ALL



Let's Do Our Bit
By Buying MORE
WAR BONDS
Than We Can
Afford

